

# DESERT AIRMAN

Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ariz.

Friday, May 11, 2001



Staff Sgt. J. Elaine Phillinganes

Staff Sgt. Melanie Howe, 355th Supply Squadron and a civil engineer augmentee, shouts to the team to get moving as she impresses upon them the importance of getting the wounded member of their team to safety vs. finding the missing remnant of an aircraft during a mock scenario May 4 at Rincon Mountain.

## Engineers train to help 'incoming wounded'

By Staff Sgt. J. Elaine Hunnicutt  
355th Wing Public Affairs

The 355th Civil Engineer Squadron trained the Disaster Preparedness Support Team, CE augmentees, May 3 and 4 at Rincon Mountain.

The purpose of the DPST is to respond in times of disaster. "If the readiness personnel deploy with the wing, they (DPST) would be the primary responders," said Tech. Sgt. Steven Durbin.

The DPST is part of the Resource Augmentation Duty Program; there are currently 207 READY positions at Davis-Monthan AFB. The logistic group supports 169 of these positions, including mobility support, Phase I exercises and the DPST; the operations group support 20 security forces positions. Each of the groups share the responsibility of supporting an additional 12 positions for Phase I exercises.

The READY program helps D-M ensure it can sustain operations in any situation, according to Capt. Patricia Muth, 355th Support Group.

DPST plays a crucial role in D-M's ability to respond to any type of contingency, be it natural disaster, aircraft accident and situations involving chemical or biological weapons. "It is imperative they be trained and ready to go at a moments notice," said Lt. Col. Theresa Carter, 355th CES commander.

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Welcome to Davis-Monthan



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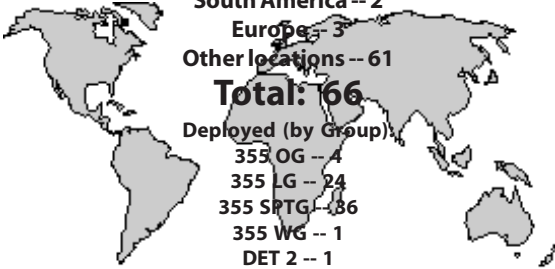
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355th Wing Flying Goals

A/OA-10s				EC-130E/Hs			
Sorties				Hours			
Goal	351	437	425	Goal	53	71	37
Flown	145	131	135	Flown	20	26	15
Delta	8	8	11	Delta	1	-1	3
FY01	42	95	33	FY01	46	12	40

Current as of Wednesday

Where are 355th Wing  
members deployed?



This week, last year, **340** members of the 355th Wing were deployed.  
(Current as of Monday)

**Law Month question:** Generally, in order for a former spouse to qualify for a portion of a military member's retirement pay, how long must the marriage between the two have lasted?



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UPAR responsibilities

UPARs are responsible for being the "eyes and ears" of the public affairs office. Each and every squadron on base has unique individuals in it that have an interesting story to tell, whether it is about sports, awards, lifesaving acts, IDEA program contributions, etc.

Each of your squadrons are also making improvements to the methods or process that they use or to squadron facilities or community areas via self help projects. UPARs are responsible for getting the information to the public affairs staff in a usable format and in a timely manner.

Not every idea is going to get picked up. The staff focuses on issues that effect the base populace in general, but it never hurts to present ideas to your squadron UPARs so that they can judge the input for newsworthiness or unique human interest appeal and forward it to the staff.

The following are some of the areas we hope to utilize UPARs to tell your squadron's story (based on skills):

- Provide news ideas as well as write and shoot photos of squadron activities for submission to the base newspaper
- Review and solicit Hometown News Release submissions
- Review their squadron's submissions to the base TV Channel (75)
- Seek volunteers for tours and speaking engagements

Desert Lightning Channel

7 to 8 a.m. - Base Announcements  
8 to 8:30 a.m. - Air Force News  
8:30 to 8:38 a.m. - D-M News Show  
8:38 to noon - Base Announcements  
noon to 12:30 p.m. - Air Force News  
12:30 to 12:38 p.m. - D-M News Show  
12:38 to 6 p.m. - Base Announcements  
6 to 6:30 p.m. - Air Force News  
6:30 to 6:38 p.m. - D-M News Show  
6:38 to 8 p.m. - Base Announcements  
8 to 9:01 p.m. - Programs ("Welcome to Andersen AFB; A Day in the Life of an Airman; History of the Air Force; Camouflage, Concealment and Deception; Desert Shield/

Desert Storm")  
9:01 to 10 p.m. - Base Announcements  
10 to 10:30 p.m. - Air Force News  
10:30 to 10:38 - D-M News Show  
10:38 to midnight - Base Announcements  
12:01 to 1:01 a.m. - Programs  
1:01 to 2 a.m. - Base Announcements  
2 to 2:30 a.m. - Air Force News  
2:30 to 2:38 a.m. - D-M Show  
2:38 to 4 a.m. - Base Announcements  
4 to 5:01 a.m. - Programs  
5:01 to 7 a.m. - Base Announcements (Script recycles)

For questions about the programming on the Desert Lightning Channel, Cox Communications Channel 75, call 355th Wing Public Affairs at 8-3204.

Future Force

355th Wing Recruiting Assistance

	(year to date)
Recruiting events:	150
Referrals:	375
<b>Local recruiter goals (year to date)</b>	
Goal:	160
Enlistees:	133



(Current as of Wednesday)

355th Wing Retention Rates

(Second quarter)  
1st term: 56% 2nd term: 73% Career: 95%

**Air Force retention rates**  
1st term: 57% 2nd term: 70% Career: 91%

**81** airmen were saved from the consequences of driving under the influence by the Airmen Against Drunk Driving Program since Dec. 31.

Call AADD at **850-2233**  
10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays and 4 p.m. to midnight Sundays for a ride.

**12** days since last D-M DUI  
Last unit: **357th FS**  
(Current as of Wednesday)



Commander's Corner



Col. Bobby Wilkes  
355th Wing Commander  
**Commander's Salute**

"This week I salute Staff Sgt. Michele McCullough-Cruz, 355th Supply Squadron, for earning the 355 Wing 2001 American Legion "Spirit of Service" Award for her work with abused children and foster-care services."

Supporting each other and working together to provide the best programs and services is a common goal we all share as members of Team D-M.

Ideas, suggestions, comments and kudos are an important ingredient for continuous improvement.

The fastest way to pass along comment or to get an answer to your concern is to contact the agency chief or functional manager listed here.

Still no solution? The Commander's Corner phone line is available 24 hours a day, at **228-4747**, or you can send an e-mail to us at: [355thWingCommandersCorner@dm.af.mil](mailto:355thWingCommandersCorner@dm.af.mil).

If you leave your name, phone number and a message, you'll receive a prompt reply, either in writing or by telephone. We will honor your confidentiality, but sometimes we need to contact callers to gather

additional information. If your concern is of general interest to the base populace, the response may be published in the *Desert Airman*. Anonymous calls may not be published in the newspaper, we recommend you leave a contact phone number if you'd like us to provide an answer.

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Clinic	8-2930
Commissary	8-3116
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Housing Office	8-3687
Inspector General	8-3559
Legal	8-6432
Lodging	8-4845
Military/Civilian	
Equal Opportunity Office	8-5509
Military Personnel	8-5689
Public Affairs	8-3204
Security Forces	8-6178
Services	8-5596
Transportation	8-3584

**Swan Road Gate**  
**Concern:**

Is it possible to have the Swan gate open at 3 p.m. as opposed to 3:30 p.m. There are quite a few units that have to be to work by 3:30 p.m., and the main gate always seems to be a mess at this time.

**Response:**

Thank you for your suggestion about changing the hours of the Swan Road Gate.

Unfortunately, the Security Forces are not manned to post this base entry point for any more hours than currently scheduled. Any time we man the Swan Road Gate, we have to detail a patrol — which is assigned other duties — to cover the gate. The times we post the gate align with the highest traffic flow times both in and out of the installation, as well as unit shift changes. Thank you for your suggestion; Master Sgt. John McCormick, 355 Security Forces Squadron superintendent installation security, at 8-2426, will be happy to assist with any other base entry issues.

**MDG kudos**  
**Concern:**

I would like to compliment the people in the Copper Team at the hospital, and Capt Wingard and the hospital commander.

They have been absolutely wonderful.

Please give these wonderful people the credit they deserve.

**Response:**

We appreciate your kind words and appreciation. The men and women of the 355th Medical Group are proud to serve our D-M community.

The Copper Team and Capt. Wingert are fine examples of our team at their very best. Thanks again.

**Mini-Comm**

**Concern:**

The last few times I've been in the Mini-Commissary, it seems there is less and less in there to purchase. What is happening?

**Response:**

We take great pride in maintaining the Mini-Comm for our patrons so they may conveniently pick up needed items.



Presently, there are more than 1,200 line items available in the facility, which is open from 4 to 8 p.m., seven days a week. In addition, for customer convenience, the Mini Comm is open on several holidays throughout the year.

Unfortunately, due to limited space and slow sales, we did remove a couple items from the shelves. We welcome suggestions concerning additional items our patrons would like to see in the Mini-Comm.

Call the store administrator at 8-3244 for more information.

Final Answer

What do you like best about your mommy?



**Scott Hyser**  
Son of David & Kim Hyser

"I love my mommy because she cooks toast for me."



**Vanessa Lopez**  
Daughter of Andres & Jeannette Lopez

"I love my mommy because she cooks for me and buys me barbies."



**Jeffrey Fitzgibbons**  
Son of Mike & Carol Fitzgibbons

"I love my mommy because she is always happy."



**Gabrielle and Rachelle Phillinganes**  
Daughter of A.D. Phillinganes and Staff Sgt. Elaine Hunnicutt

"I love my mommy because she makes us clean our room."



**Master Sgt. Walt Voltz**  
355th Security Forces Squadron

"Tell her I love her and ask for a raise in my allowance."



**Tech. Sgt. Daniel Saiz**  
355th Mission Support Squadron

"Call her and send her a card."

What are you doing for your mother for Mother's Day?



# Engineers train to help 'incoming wounded'

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The team was put to the test during the Aerospace Expeditionary Force deployment last year when most of the wing's readiness personnel were deployed to Southwest Asia in support of Operation Southern Watch. The DPST was called to respond to the Marine MV-22 Osprey that crashed at Marana during a night training mission. "They (DPST) did an outstanding job," said Carter.

"The purpose (of the training) was to provide the on-scene commander a viable tool to accomplish a recovery mission," said Durbin.

"I have a good taste of what to expect if something crashes," said Airman 1st Class John Montillano, 355th Logistic Support Squadron.

The training included: rope management, winching operations, off-road vehicle driving, day- and night- land navigation, helicopter landing-site reconnaissance, camp bed-down procedures and mobile command-post setup.

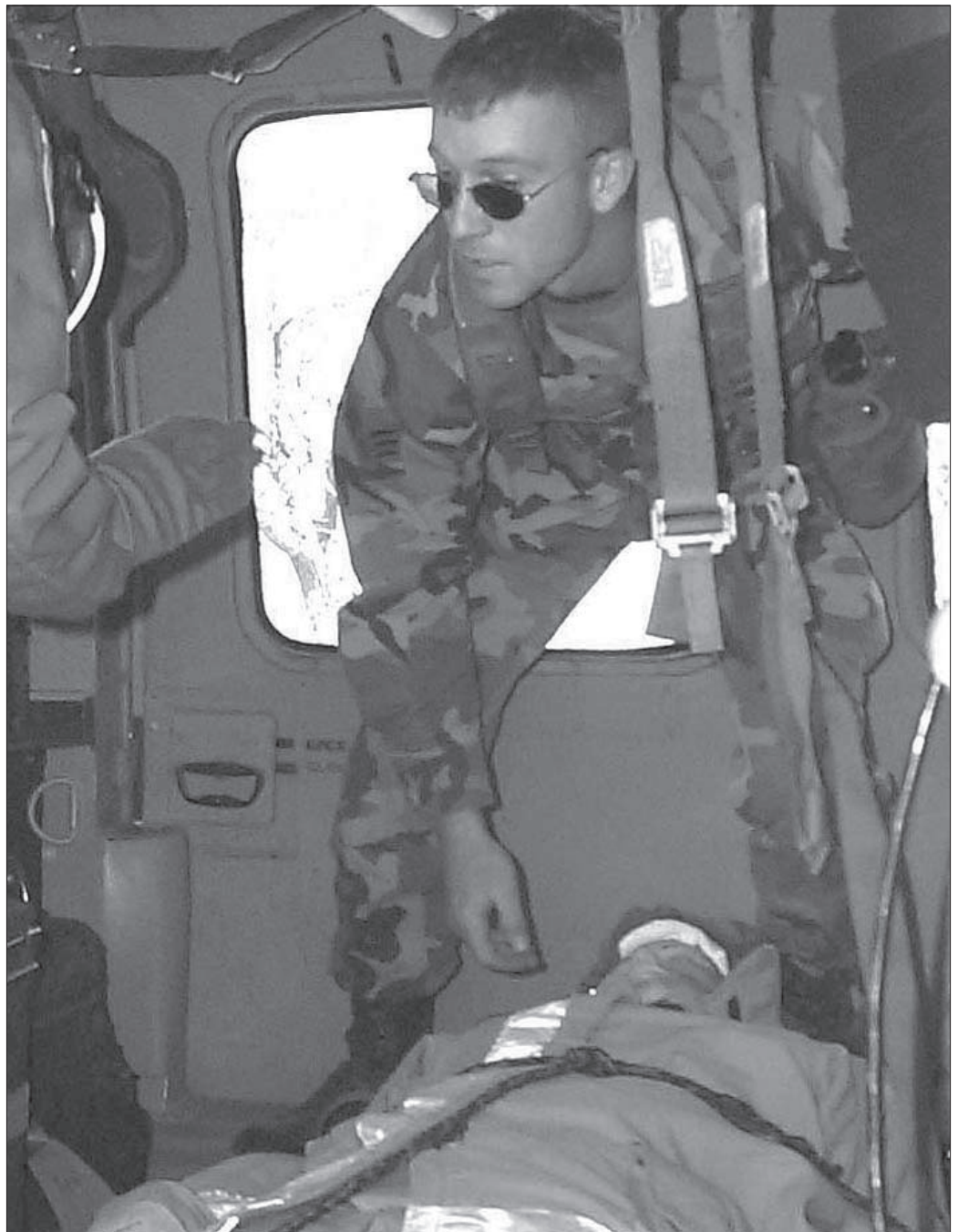
"This gives them a chance to learn new and/or hone skills as well as a chance to learn each other's strengths and weaknesses," said Durbin.

"I think the biggest plus was the team-building aspect," said 1st Lt. Michael Freeman. "The team has a good mix of seasoned veterans and energetic new members."

"The training let me see the bigger picture and now I can help play a vital role in the event of an accident. Being on the DPST has helped me with reenlistment and cross training decisions. I am interested in being a civil engineer," Senior Airman Joshua Gonzales, 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron.

One of the team's newest members is glad she joined the team and enjoyed her first training experience. "I like the mountains and getting dirty," said Airman 1st Class Heather Oeltjen, 355th Supply Squadron.

"We owe a great deal of gratitude to the logistic group. Their unwavering support of our training program makes our DPST perhaps the best trained in the command," said Carter.



Senior Airman Russ Wicke, 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron, works with the 305th Rescue Squadron flight crew to secure the mock injured team member aboard a Pavehawk helicopter.



Tech. Sgt. Steven Durbin, 355th Civil Engineer Squadron, briefs Lt. Col. Theresa Carter, 355th CES commander during a training scenario May 4.



Wicke and (right) Senior Airman Steven Tell, 355th Component Repair Squadron, carry their mock injured team member to the 305th Rescue Squadron helicopter for medical evacuation.

Photos by Staff Sgt. J. Elaine Hunnicutt



## AFA drive kicks off

The Tucson Air Force Association chapter is conducting a membership drive Monday through June 15.

"The AFA is continually watching our "six-o'clock" in Washington to ensure that our nation's defense needs and aerospace requirements are advocated and funded, said Lt. Col. Don Bacon, Tucson chapter vice president.

And just as important, the AFA is our wingman in fighting the frequent dogfight for pay and benefits for the force. Whether its TRICARE for Life, cost of living increases, returning the retirement benefits back to 50 percent, or procuring the F-22—the AFA is flying out front and making these critical achievements possible. The AFA's goal is to strengthen our national defense by gaining Congressional and public support for Air Force personnel and resources," said Bacon.

The Air Force Association has more than 150,000 members. "The larger the membership, the stronger the clout. That's why the AFA is asking you to consider becoming a member this year. With your membership, the AFA can better support the Air Force mission and people. Your membership will strengthen our voice in Washington and will improve our ability to serve the nation's needs

"The AFA is not only our partner in Washington, D.C., the Tucson AFA chapter is also an

active in providing financial support to the Airman Leadership School, Operation Warm Heart, Santos in Blue, and Davis-Monthan's Quarterly, Annual and Professional of the Year awards programs. AFA also awards six \$400 Eagle grants to the top Community College of the Air Force graduates and also provides complementary one-year memberships to all Senior NCO and NCO Academy graduates."

People who join receive a monthly subscription to Air Force Magazine. Members also receive access to low-cost life, health, and auto insurance programs, discount auto rentals and various financial services. Membership is \$36 per year.

On top of this, the local AFA chapter is doing something new this year. For every new member, the national organization gives the Tucson chapter a stipend to help pay their budget. They will share this with the squadrons and add to their morale funds. When a squadron signs up three new members, the local chapter will donate \$15 to that squadron. Additionally, for each new member after three, the chapter will add another \$5.

Points of contact are needed in each squadron to help lead the drive. People interested in helping with the drive or who are interested in joining can call Senior Master Sgt. Jeff Halstead at 8-6017 or Bacon at 8-9825. "We need you in the AFA—it works for the Air Force and it works for you," said Bacon. (Courtesy Tucson AFA Chapter)

## Airman graduate leadership school

The following senior airmen graduated from Airman Leadership School April 26: Alexis AdornoNunez, 357th Fighter Squadron (Distinguished Graduate); Hector Beatrizsantos, 355th Civil Engineer Squadron; Deonna Bernhardt, 43rd Electronic Combat Squadron; Christopher Bigham, 43rd ECS; Kelvin Boone, 355th Supply Squadron; Reagan Breikreitz, 355th Mission Support Squadron; Thomas Brown, Jr., 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron; Aaron Bruton, 355th EMS; Daniel Carkuff, 42nd Airborne Command and Control Squadron; Andrew Carpenter, 25th Operational Weather Squadron; Michael Clark, 42nd ACCS; Michael Combs, 355th Component Repair Squadron; Michael Davis, 612th Air Intelligence Squadron; Patricio Delacruz, 42nd ACCS; Michael Dorris, Jr., 355th EMS; Richard Ellis, 42nd ACCS; Abraham Garcia, 355th CES; Jennifer Grega, 355th Operations Support Squadron; Christopher Hernandez, 612th AIS; Maria Hernandez, 355th Medical Operation Support Squadron; Brian Hudson, 43rd ECS (Academic Award and Distinguished Graduate); Nicole Jirik, 355th Communications Squadron (John Levitow Winner); Kevin Johnson, 43rd ECS; Shawnetta Jordan, 355th CS (Leadership Award); Jacob Miller, 355th Security Forces Squadron; Calixto Morlina, 612th Air Communications Squadron; Sean Petty, 355th EMS; Kanani Reed, 43rd ECS (Distinguished Graduate); Bradley Simmons, 355th EMS; Alejandro Solis, 612th AIS; Michael Steers, 355th Transportation Squadron; Cesar Suarez, 355th Contracting Squadron CONS; Angelica Tellez, 355th CS; Kristin Tillapaugh, 355th SUPS; Sean Wakeman, 358th FS; Eric Westlund, 355th SFS; and Marlon Zurita, 358th FS. (Courtesy 355th MSS)

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**4:00 p.m.**  
**Call 298-7882 for more information.**

**ALL MEMBERS ARE  
 INVITED TO JOIN US**

DMFCU 05/01



# When in doubt, salute proudly

Team D-M members should be on the look out for high ranking officials from all branches of service and be prepared to show the proper respect to their rank May 14-17 for the USSOUTHCOM Component Commander's Conference. A guide to the the various ranks is below to assist. (Ranks are listed left to right within each pay category)

**W1**  
Warrant officer 1

**W2**  
Chief warrant officer 2

**W3**  
Chief warrant officer 3

**W4**  
Chief warrant officer 4

**W5**  
Chief warrant officer 5

	Army, Air Force and Marines	Navy		Army, Air Force and Marines	Navy
<b>01</b> Second lieutenant Ensign			<b>06</b> Colonel Captain		
<b>02</b> First lieutenant Lieutenant junior grade			<b>07</b> Brigadier general Rear admiral lower half		
<b>03</b> Captain Lieutenant			<b>08</b> Major general Rear admiral upper half		
<b>04</b> Major Lieutenant commander			<b>09</b> Lieutenant general Vice admiral		
<b>05</b> Lieutenant colonel Commander			<b>010</b> General Admiral		

## Spectator advisory

A static display of 12th Air Force assigned aircraft will be accessible for Davis-Monthan AFB members May 17 from 8 to 11 a.m at Base Operations.

The Air Combat Command F-16 and A-10 tactical demonstration teams will perform May 15 from 1 to 4:30 p.m. and 16 from 2 to 5 p.m. using pyro technics.

The tower perimeter road will be closed during the demonstrations to all vehicles and pedestrians due to live explosions.

The tactical demonstrations will not be open to the public or base populace.



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**By Chief Master Sgt.  
James Magnan**  
*354th Fighter Squadron*

# Basics first

The Air Force we live and work in is becoming more and more complex each day. In the aircraft maintenance business, not a day goes by where we don't hear about another modification, TDY, or exercise that we need to prepare or train for. I suspect this is the same throughout the entire Air Force. With this in mind, I think it's extremely important that no matter what your business is, you should always focus on the basics.

Each career field has its own particular set of basics. For instance, in the aircraft maintenance business we focus daily on preventive maintenance, scheduling effectiveness and quality assurance.

But, what are the basics of the "basics," the things that hold the whole plan together no matter the career field? One of my all-time favorite movies is "Bull Durham" and one line in the movie hits my conscience every time I hear it, "Baseball is a simple game ... you throw the ball ... you hit the ball ... you catch the ball."

I feel the Air Force has its own twist to the line, "The Air Force is a simple business ... you train, you build teams, you lead."

When I joined the Air Force in 1976, I was sent to Clark AB in the Philippines to work on the F-4E. It was there that I had the great fortune to be assigned as a trainee under Sgt. Sam Gullett.

Sam was a unique individual who did a tour in Vietnam and Thailand and was a great guy to party with, but more importantly, he was an outstanding trainer.

To Sam, being a trainer was not a spectator sport. He was involved in the whole process and continually asked questions, provided guidance and challenged me to learn.

In today's Air Force we are challenged with manning shortages that lead to shortcuts and it is easy to be an "arm-chair" trainer.

This is where you give "Johnny" a technical order or an operating instruction and expect him to train himself because A) he's a pretty sharp troop, or B) we're just too darn busy doing a ton of other things.

Please don't let this happen to you. If we don't train our folks correctly we are only asking for a mountain of problems later on no matter what your business is.

After my tour in the Philippines, I moved onto Myrtle Beach AFB, S.C., in 1977. Shortly after my arrival we transitioned from the A-7D to the brand new A-10A aircraft.

My section was unprepared for the transition from both the training and experience angles and we floundered quite a while with friction climbing in the section every day. About this time, Master Sgt. Clyde Fonner arrived, also with no experience

on the A-10A, but with a healthy understanding of the concept of teamwork. He understood that not only did we quickly need to get training and experience, he also knew the way for that to happen was to do it as a team.

Fonner insisted that no aircraft maintenance was done solo, no matter how simple or complex the problem. By working together and discussing problems, we built skills and by sharing experiences we also came together as a team.

And it wasn't just the airman doing this, I remember quite a few times that we were on the line until 2 a.m. and Fonner was right there with us. When the jobs were done we all walked off the line together.

The concept of "One team, one fight" worked for the Air Force back then and it certainly works for the Air Force today.

Later on in my career, I ended up at Grand Forks AFB, N.D., and it was there that I got my first shop chief job. As in all "firsts," the starting steps were pretty rough and shaky. Thankfully, I had Chief Master Sgt. Ken Roed leading my squadron. Roed was the ultimate leader because he understood the basics and let them guide his actions. As a new supervisor I would cruise into his office at least 10 times a day with my hair on fire or directionless on a course of action.

First off, he always listened to what I had to say, then we would share some discussion on the subject, and then he would push me to make a sound decision on my own. He would insist that it was my decision and that I go back to my shop and make things happen. Roed was vital to the squadron, not so much because he had no problem with getting out in front and leading, but more importantly because he insisted that decision making and leadership happen at the proper level.

Sometimes we get a tunnel vision that chiefs, commanders, and colonels should be doing all the leading. The reality is that the more people we have leading and making things happen, the better off the Air Force will be. Please don't exclude yourself because you're an airman or lieutenant, there are opportunities for leadership at every level.

The possibilities are endless with everything from being a vehicle crew chief, to preparing complex slides for a squadron meeting. The Air Force is all about leadership at all levels so get out there in front and make things happen.

Basics. We continually hear about "getting back to basics" as a solution to a production or management dilemma. At the same time, we hear about doing things right the first time. In reality what's best for the Air Force is to do the right thing first by sticking to the basics and building from there. You can't go wrong with that.

## What has the Air Force done for me lately?

**By Maj. Andy Coggins**  
*355th Comptroller Squadron*

As the economy boomed over the last several years, many military members transitioned to the civilian sector citing problems with the military pay system, erosion of medical and educational benefits, and declining quality of life in the service. The newspaper headlines and evening newscasts about shrinking defense budgets often reinforce this perception and make it very easy to overlook the tremendous efforts made by our senior leadership to solve these very problems. Let's take a few minutes and look at what the Air Force has done for you lately. You might be surprised at the progress we've made.

Military pay is a hot topic near and dear to the hearts of most enlisted and officer personnel. Despite the perception that military pay is not keeping up with the civilian sector, the average base pay for a staff sergeant or captain has increased nearly 20 percent since 1996. We received a 4.8 percent pay raise in 2000, another 3.7 percent in 2001, and the Bush administration recently proposed a 4.6 percent pay raise for 2002. This is great news, and Congress wants to take it one step further.

Two recent House resolutions introduced the possibility of a 7.1 percent pay raise next year. Although there are no guarantees on the final 2002 increase at this time, these are definitely steps in the right direction. In addition to increasing our base pay, Congress

also approved a targeted pay increase for our NCO corps this year. This program is slated for rollout later this summer, and most E-5 to E-7 personnel will receive an additional \$30 to \$60 per month in their mid-July paychecks. From where I'm standing, it certainly looks like our senior leadership is winning the battle with military-pay issues (although I know each and every one of us could use a "little something extra" in each paycheck).

Department of Defense officials have also attacked another persistent complaint this year: out-of-pocket costs for housing. Current reports indicate that service members pay 19 percent of out-of-pocket costs when

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## Lately

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living off base. To fix this problem, the Secretary of Defense established a goal to eliminate all out-of-pocket costs by fiscal 2005, and he advocated additional funding to reduce these costs from 19 percent in fiscal 2000 to 15 percent in fiscal 2001. While we may not have seen significant increases in the Tucson area (since the average out-of-pocket cost was less than the 15 percent target), you'll see these benefits if you transfer to a high-cost area.

If you don't think that enough emphasis has been placed on our military pay and benefits issues, just take a look at other initiatives that are in place or will be implemented next year. Congress restored the High 3 retirement option for members who entered service after July 1, 1986, approved TRICARE for Life for retirees, and eliminated co-payments for active-duty family members enrolled in TRICARE Prime.

And if that isn't enough, the Military Thrift Savings Plan will kick off next year. This plan will allow all active-duty members to contribute up to seven percent of their base pay into a 401(k) plan (much like our civilian co-workers). This new program creates an exciting new opportunity to build up your retirement nest egg while reducing your current taxable income — a true “win-

win” situation for all military members.

Based on all of these initiatives, it's obvious our Commander-in-Chief and Congress are working hard to address our military pay and benefit concerns.

While all of this is outstanding news at the macro-level, let's look at how the Air Force is treating us right here at Davis-Monthan AFB.

With the roar of bulldozers and construction crews in the air, it may be difficult to hear all of the good news stories about quality-of-life improvements, but D-M is undergoing an unbelievable transformation and will become a true showcase installation in the next couple of years. Here's a list of a few of the ongoing programs:

- 64 new military family housing units valued at more than \$8.8 million — a step to improving the living conditions for our enlisted members and their families.

- A new enclosed shopping center to replace the existing base exchange. This \$18.8 million project constructs a 175,000 square-foot facility and will include space for military clothing sales, barber/beauty salons, concession sales and a food court.

- Site preparation work is progressing nicely for our new \$8.6 million fitness center directly across from the 355th Wing Headquarters building. This facility will include an indoor running track, lap pool and expanded fitness areas.

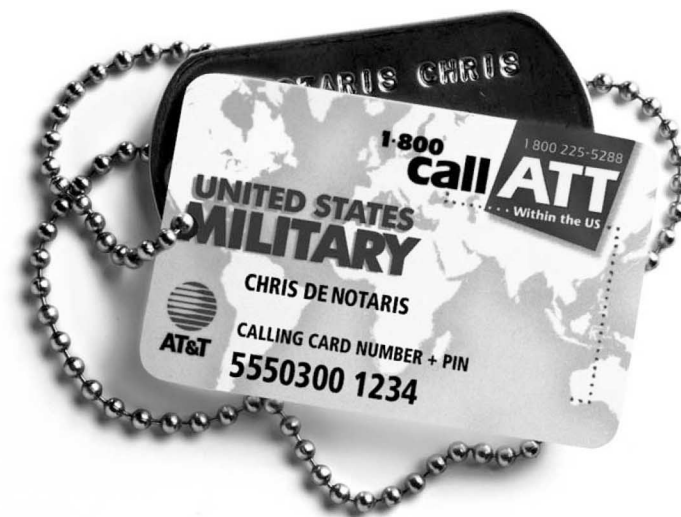
- Ground has been broken for a new state-of-the-art Ambulatory Health Clinic valued at more than \$9 million and you'll soon see preliminary activity on the construction of a new \$1.9 million car care center.

- The Air Force has programmed more than \$30 million for three new dormitories, and a new child development center between 2002 and 2007.

This list barely scratches the surface of the improvements. For example, Stormy's Cyber Café will be opening soon in the community center, outdoor renovations are planned for the officer's club, and the wing commander recently approved nearly \$1 million of capital spending to improve the wing's morale, welfare and recreation activities, such as new lanes at the bowling alley, golf course improvements, and numerous projects for the outdoor recreation and youth programs.

If you put it all together, we're talking about more than \$100 million of improvements at our wing! No matter where you're from, that's real money — it's also another sign that everyone from the president to our local commanders are committed to improving our quality of life.

So, the next time you hear someone say “What has the Air Force done for me lately?” take a few minutes and help spread the good news. Things are looking up and getting better every day.



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## Health Focus

By Capt. Connie Sue Bruns and  
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355th Medical Group

(Editor's note: This article is  
part one of a two-part series on  
Sexually-transmitted Diseases.)

Chlamydia is a widespread sexually-transmitted disease, which is caused by a bacterium called Chlamydia trachomatis.

In industrialized countries, Chlamydia is the most commonly spread sexually-transmitted disease.

In the United States it is the most common sexually-transmitted bacterial infection.

How many people have Chlamydia?

Three million American women and men become infected with Chlamydia every year.

What are the symptoms?

Up to 85 percent of women and 40 percent of men with Chlamydia have no symptoms.

Most people are not aware that they have the infection.

In these situations, a Chlamydia culture is the only means of identification of the disease.

Symptoms vary in males and females.

Females may complain of a pus-like discharge, painful and

# Chlamydia ... are you safe?

### The plain truth about Chlamydia

For every person with herpes, there are six with chlamydia

Chlamydia is four times as common as gonorrhea

More than 30 times as common as syphilis

Most common among women and men under 25

Chlamydia may cause Reiter's syndrome (a form of arthritis) usually in young men

Chlamydia is spread through sexual contact; it cannot be spread through casual contact

frequent urination and abdominal pain.

This infection can lead to acute inflammatory disease, which can result in infertility.

Pregnant females could pass this disease on to their unborn child, which could cause blindness. Males with this disease may complain of pain with urination and a pus-like discharge from the penis.

Chlamydia can also make men sterile.

It can spread from the urethra to the testicles.

Then it can result in a condition called epididymitis.

Epididymitis can cause sterility. Chlamydia causes more than 250,000 cases of acute epididymitis in the United States every year.

Symptoms may include fever as well as swelling and extreme pain in the scrotum.

How can you protect yourself from this disease?

Abstinence (refraining from sex) is the only true safe way to be protected from this disease.

If you do engage in sexual activity, be sure to use condoms.

The latex condom provides a barrier, which affords excellent protection against sexually

transmitted diseases, pregnancy as well as a wide variety of bacteria, viruses and other germs.

Birth control pills do not protect you from getting a sexually-transmitted disease.

How can you be tested for this disease? What happens during the test?

The test at Davis-Monthan is a simple urine test.

Call your assigned panel or the appointment desk, tell them your symptoms and they will schedule an appointment.

If you have no symptoms ask for a routine appointment for a sexually transmitted disease exam.

Your health-care provider will examine you and obtain the tests needed to make a diagnosis. Notification of results is usually given between two to four weeks.

Is there a cure for Chlamydia?

Yes. Chlamydia is easy to treat. Both partners must be treated at the same time. Antibiotics kill the Chlamydia bacteria. Doxycycline or Azithromycin are the preferred treatments. Azithromycin is taken in one dose.

If you have any questions about this disease, please contact your health care provider.

There is a cure for chlamydia ... call your health care provider for more information ...

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# Mortuary Affairs

## SVS professionals tackle tough job with dedication, tact, caring

Story and photo by Angie Erickson  
355th Wing Public Affairs

Death.

While a part of life, it's something that most choose not to deal with. We don't think about shopping for a casket or what it may cost for the burial. And while we might have a will, we don't think about what will become of our accounts or belongings. Furthermore, we don't think about our loved ones as they sadly make their way to view our body in the casket.

Yet Staff Sgt. Jennifer Ellis, NCO in charge of Mortuary Affairs, 355th Services Squadron, meets these issues head on. In her two years at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base, Ellis along with Master Sgt. John Perry, NCO in charge of Force Management and Lt. Col. Michael Archuleta, 355th Services Squadron Commander, have facilitated support following 12 military member's deaths.

"I will never forget the first time I had to view a body," said Ellis. "Part of our mission is to inspect the body. It was very difficult."

However, not nearly as challenging as the interface with the next of kin.

"The worst part of my job is seeing the anguish in the eyes of the loved ones," she said sadly. "Probably the most difficult time is when the family sees their loved one for the first time in the casket, especially when the death was a result of a suicide. This is a pain of despair and sadness that no one can take away."

Yet she says it helps to know that she is helping the family through probably the most difficult time of their life. "I know that they are counting on me to make sure their loved one is put to rest with pride, honor and dignity."

Mortuary Affairs handles assisting the next of kin with the arrangements of their loved ones funeral and travel arrangements. There are five different options the NOK have to choose from, and each one has a different monetary value.

"The first thing we do when we have a case, is sit down with the family and let them know those options, based on their wishes," said Ellis. "Once they decide, we coordinate with the local medical examiner, our contract



At a local mortuary, Staff Sgt. Jennifer Ellis shows how a flag is properly draped over a casket.

funeral home, or the chosen receiving funeral home, and the Honor Guard. At our contract funeral home, we ensure the deceased member is properly clothed and casketed. If it is decided that the deceased will be shipped out of the local Tucson area, we coordinate with the SATO office in arranging the travel. If being shipped, the deceased must have an escort. We also arrange the travel for the escort, who must chaperone the deceased's casket to the receiving funeral home."

Each family is also assigned a Summary Court Officer. This person is responsible for helping the families close all military/financial accounts and obligations and ensuring the deceased's personal property is returned to the family. It is mortuary affairs job to make sure the SCO is trained and knows what he/she needs to do. This all happens in a matter of about three days, however once the funeral is over our job is not done. We make sure all the funeral bills get paid and we do a lot of follow up with both the family and the SCO.

"This is a tremendous responsibility," said Archuleta. "The SCO has to close out that person's accounts, possibly sell a house and/or car and what ever needs to be taken care of. This is especially difficult when the person is single, because the spouse can often assist the SCO."

Archuleta, as the 355th Wing Mortuary Officer, has the responsibility of not only overseeing mortuary affairs which includes briefing the family, the SCO, escort officer and acting as the family liaison officer, a new position created to direct the family in the direction they need to go.

"The FLO becomes a friend to the family (to assist other needs) for at least six months after the death, and often longer," said

Archuleta.

However, sometimes the relationship goes beyond six months. "Ellis has forged bonds with some of the families. She shows compassion and is honest," said Archuleta. "This a critical job, and I believe one of the toughest jobs in the military. You cannot grasp the seriousness of it, until you have worked a case. It is important that the right personality is in Mortuary Affairs, and I believe that Ellis meets above and beyond the criteria. That is why she won the 355th Wing's Spirit of Hope award – she exemplifies service for military and community."

Although there have been 12 deaths during the last two years, seven of them have been the result of suicide, and this has been even more difficult for all parties to accept.

"It makes me wonder how anyone could kill himself and not realize the sadness, guilt and pain they leave behind. I don't know how a man who is a father, husband, brother, son, nephew, cousin, co-worker or friend to so many people who care about him and would do anything possible to help him get through personal problem or crisis. I also wonder how many people saw the "signs" and did nothing to help and didn't even pass on to someone their suspicions," said Perry.

While it is not easy to discuss death, if given the opportunity to turn back time, Archuleta would advise a suicidal person, "You are about to commit the most selfish act that a human being could commit. I wish you could be there to see the grief and anger that I see on your loved one's face when they view your body lying in a casket."

Ellis agrees with Perry and Archuleta. "Your family and friends would rather see you struggle to come out of something than to see you lying there in a casket. It's a permanent solution for a temporary problem."

They also agree upon the fact that they have learned a great deal from each case. "I've never had to face death," said Archuleta. "I would not go to a funeral. I did not even know that the Services Squadron was responsible for mortuary affairs, and now as the Services Commander, I am actually a part of the military member's final affairs. It is a very sad and sobering experience."

And while accidental deaths happen, Perry says, "I never want to get to the point where I just say it's another body. I will not allow myself to be numb to the fact that so many people are dying needlessly," said Perry referring to suicide. "I want people to know if they have a problem or a personal crisis that they have resources that they can use. Call a chaplain, counselor or talk to family and friends. And even though I don't know you, you can talk to me. There are a lot of people who care about your well-being."

Ellis adds that although death is part of life, suicide is not. "It is not an option, and when you realize this you can live life to the fullest."





Angie Erickson

## Sonoran Spotlight

*(Editor's note: Sonoran Spotlight is a weekly feature of the Desert Airman that profiles a member (officer, enlisted or civilian) of the Davis-Monthan Air Force Base Desert Lightning community. Members are nominated by their unit commander or first sergeant.)*

**Name:** Airman 1st Class Karen Alojado De La Torre

**Organization:** 41st Electronic Combat Squadron

**Duty title:** Information Manager

**Hometown:** Los Angeles

**Years of service:** 1 1/2

**Why did you join the Air Force:** I wanted a challenge, and I wanted to teach my son, Isaiah, there are many things in life you can accomplish

**Main responsibilities:** Fitness Monitor, Urinalysis Program, Government Travel Card, Performance Feedbacks, Dental, Ergo, Personal Health Assessment, and anything that has to do with inbound personnel to the squadron

**Best aspects of your job:** People like Ethel Goff, who has worked for the military for many years, who give you an outlook on how life is for young airmen like myself

**Career goals:** To be commissioned

**Hobbies/outside activities:** Volunteer work

**What do you like best about D-M:** It's close to home

**What has been your best assignment; why:** This is my first assignment

**Who inspires you; why:** Two people -- 2nd Lt. Tre Bryant, who is pro-education, and always looking out for the troops; and Master Sgt. William Brown, who doesn't even know how much he impacts people, and always has the right answers that come from the heart.

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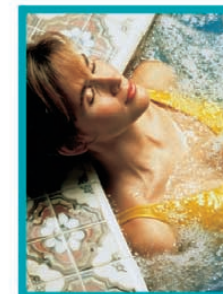
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## Korean War Remembered



*[Editor's note: As America recognizes its veterans (through the next two years) to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Korean War, the Desert Airman is chronicling the significant events.] The following significant Air Force events occurred during May in 1951:*

During the first half of May 1951, United Nations ground activity consisted mainly of patrols and preparation for another enemy offensive. By the end of the month, UN ground forces had regained the initiative, advancing the front lines northward between 15 and 30 miles across the penin-

sula. Far East Air Forces conducted heavy, continuous interdiction of enemy supply lines, which contributed largely to the complete failure of the communist offensive. But, the enemy increased anti-aircraft heavy guns and automatic weapons to approximately 1,000, at 18 different locations in North Korea.

In a slow month, 5th Air Force Sabre pilots downed five MiGs. FEAF Bomber Command B-29s initially bombed rail and highway bridges, airfields, and supply and troop centers in North Korea.

When the communists initiated their offensive, however, Bomber Command shifted nearly its entire effort to close air support.

Until mid-May, 5th Air Force flew a daily average of 171 armed reconnaissance and interdiction, and 57 close air support sorties; later in the month, its aircraft averaged more than 140 close air

support sorties daily. Prior to the enemy offensive, the light bomber, assisted by flare-dropping C-47s, flew night intruder sorties against enemy vehicles. With the enemy assault, 5th Air Force shifted its B-26 effort to daytime close air support.

Led by the 45th Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron, between May 19 and 25, Far East Air Forces flew 388 reconnaissance sorties, a new record. At the end of the month, 5th Air Force and Navy Task Force 77 initiated an interdiction campaign called Operation STRANGLE to paralyze enemy transportation between the railheads and the front.

Fighter-bombers hit bridges, tunnels, rail lines, and roadbeds, trying to stop rail and highway traffic carrying supplies for enemy troops along the front.

In psychological operations, B-29 and C-47 aircraft dropped millions of leaflets.

Most consisted of "strategic" leaflets dropped deep behind enemy lines, while the remainder were "tactical," directed at troops near the front.

The 3rd Aerial Reconnaissance Squadron established an element on the island of Paengnyang-do, located off the west coast of Korea, where H-5 helicopters stood alert for rescue sorties.

The squadron began rotating the SA-16 amphibious aircraft between Japan and Korea.

The crash rescue boat section of the 6160st Air Base Group saved three lives and evacuated 200 guerrillas from behind enemy lines to safety.

Although ammunition and petroleum products made up the bulk of airlifted items, the 315th Air Division began daily delivery of approximately fifteen tons of fresh vegetables from Japan to Eighth U.S. Army supply points in Korea.



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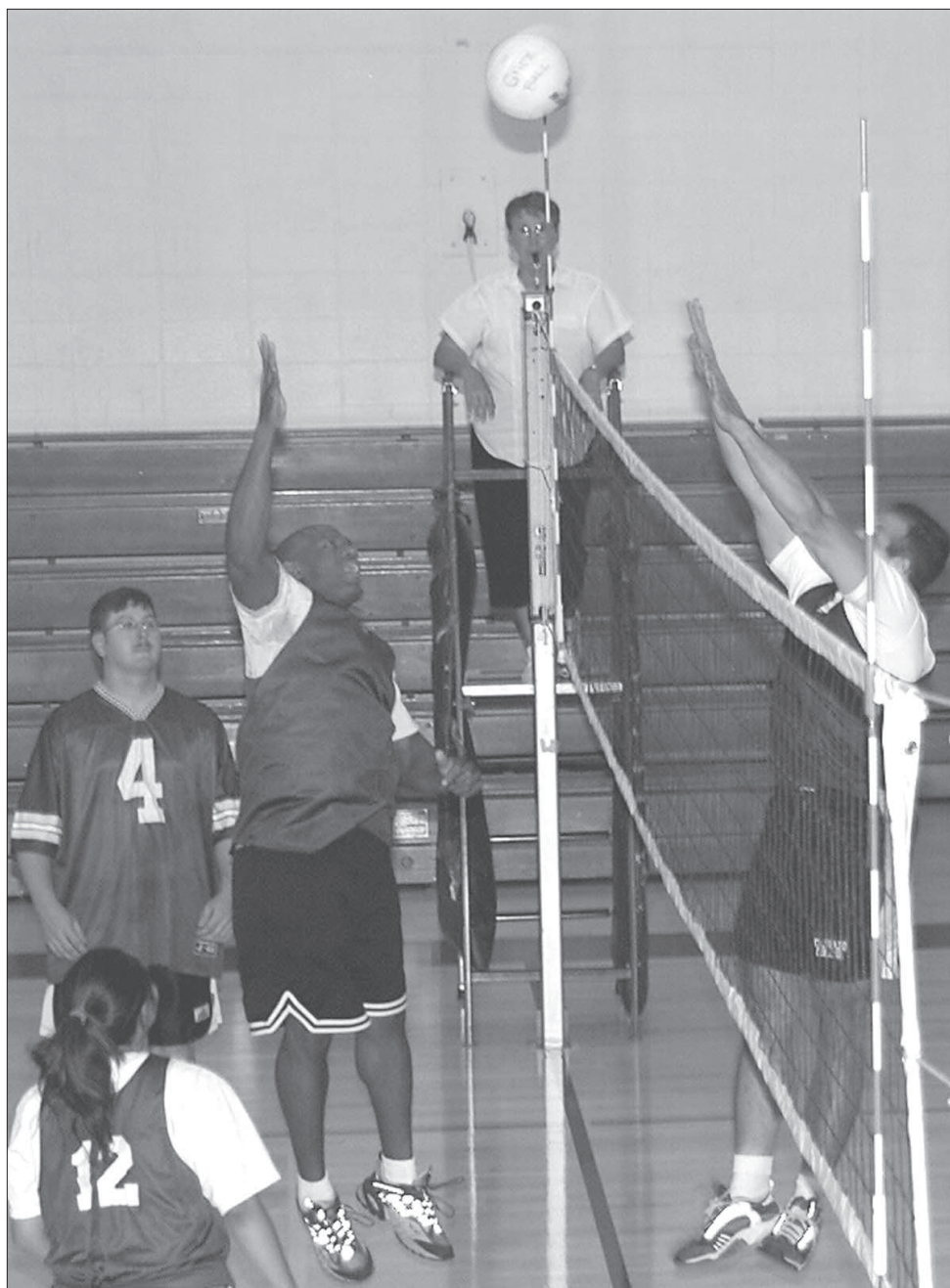
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# Volleyball action hot at Haeffner



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*The intramural volleyball season is in full swing at the Haeffner Fitness and Sports Center. The 355th Training Squadron and 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron #1 teams battled it out Monday at center court in a tightly-contested, three-game match. Outstanding rallies marked each of the three games. TRS barely nipped EMS in the first game, 25-23, but EMS had the upper hand as the second game went down to a 25-23 final as well. In the third game, TRS gave EMS all they could handle, but EMS prevailed, 15-13. (Top left) EMS' Danielle Fano sets one high for one of her teammates to spike. (Above) EMS Player-Coach Martin Gonzales shows his spiking ability during the match. (Left) TRS' Jayvin Arbore (right) tries to block Steve Bailey's spike. A full slate of matches are played every evening at Haeffner. Call the Fitness Center staff at 8-3714 for more information.*



# Scoreboard

## Volleyball

### Intramural - American

(As of Wednesday)

Team	W-L-T
42 ACCS	3-0-0
CONS	2-0-0
EMS #1	2-1-0
25 OWS #1	2-1-0
41 ECS	1-1-0
DECA	1-2-0
OSS	0-2-0
CRS	0-0-1
TRS	0-2-0
12 AF	0-2-1

### Intramural - American

(As of Wednesday)

Team	W-L-T
SUPS	2-0-0
EMS #2	1-0-0
MSS	1-0-0
CS	1-0-0
354 FS	1-1-0
TRANS	1-1-0
25 OWS #2	0-2-0
Det 9, IOG	0-2-0
CES	0-1-0

## Bowling

### OWC

(Week 26)

Team	W-L
Lady Flyers	128-80
KIDDS	122-86
Coyotes	116-92
Splitsters	114-94
Alley Cats	112-96
Snuffers	111-97
The Eastsiders	105-103
High Game Scratch - Marlene Flyer, 189	
High Series Scratch - Marlene Flyer, 496	

### Phantom Mixed

(Week 25)

Team	W-L
Strike Force	132-68
Lucky Seven	117-83
The Cajuns	113-87
Strikebusters	111-89
Six Pack	106-94
So So's	105-95
Avengers	104-96
The Dizzy Four	100-100
Sweet Revenge	95-105
Alley Oops	94-106
Rat Pack	79-121

### Tuesday Early Risers

(Week 28)

Team	W-L
Hit & Miss	142-82
The Monarchs	138-86
OUI 3	126-98
Hot Cats	106-118
Ally Kats	104-120
Soon's Runway	98-126
Dream Catchers	93-131
Wee Bee Bad	89-135

High Game Scratch - Diana Scott, 212  
High Series Scratch - Diana Scott, 602

### Intramural - National

(Week 29)

Team	W-L
SVS	137-87
AMMO	124-100
AMARC	120-104
12 AF #3	120-104
Supply	116-108
12 AF #1	113-111
MSS	112-112
COMM	106-118
25 OWS #1	104-120
CRS	102-122
TRANS	100-124
358th Wrekin Krew	88-136
High Game Scratch - Jeffrey Carlson, 236; Anna Johnson, 173	
High Series Scratch - Alan Conant, 601; Anna Johnson, 466	

### Intramural - American

(Week 29)

Team	W-L
MDG #2	161-63
41 ECS #2	138-86
42 ACCS #2	132-92
CONS	132-92
MDG #1	128-96
OSS	116-108
41 ECS #1	105-119
42 ACCS #1	80-144

### Pinrollers

(Week 27)

Team	W-L
Uh Huh Girls	158-58
L-A-D-Y	114-102
Dream Catchers	109-107
Rockers	104-112
Dreamers	103-113
Say What	103-113
Kachina Dolls	100-116
Annie's Girls	99-117
High Game Scratch - Gloria McKinney, 226	
High Series Scratch - Gloria McKinney, 572	

### Thursday Night

(Week 26)

Team	W-L
Desert Strikers	128-80
Prickly Pairs	120-88
Cool Cs	110-98
Lickity Splits	109-99
Mission Impossible	108-100
PBJs	106-102
BMs	105-103
Nice N Spicy	104-104
Ice Breakers	102-106
Four Seas	98-110
Road Runners	94-114
Buck N Does	70-138
Pintenos	68-140
High Game Scratch - Lloyd Lee, 259;	
Lisa Kerr, 188	
High Series Scratch - Smitty Smith, 654;	
Lisa Kerr, 512	

### CE Mixed

(Week 17)

Team	W-L
BJ's Bunns	10-2
Good, Bad & Ugly	7-5
Just 4 Fun	7-5
Fire Dawgs	7-5
MILF's	6-6
The Cans	5-7
HVAC	5-7
Brew Crew	5-7
Now N Then	5-7
Old Timers	3-9

### Friday Nite Fun

(Week 26)

Team	W-L
Wannabees	136-64
AAFES	122-78
Just Us	110-90
The Misfits	109-91
3 Roses & A Thorn	107-93
Double Trouble	104-96
More BS	96-104
Just Havin' Fun	93-99
Gutter Dusters	93-107
O Spare Us	92-108
Kum Cantasi	88-112
High Game Scratch - Tom Lorentz, 279;	
Reda Lowe, 246	
High Series Scratch - Chris Spieker, 604	

### Bantams

(Week 23)

Team	W-L
Tigers	133-51
Dragons	131-53
NSync	96-88
High Game Scratch - Danielle Wayman, 79	

High Series Scratch - Sabrina Wayman, 270; John Simon, 265

### Preps, Juniors & Majors

(Week 23)

Team	W-L
Alley Cats	120-64
The Xtremes	114-70
Desert Pros	106-78
Undertakers	105-79
Jaguars	101-83
Unlimited	96-88
Strikers	92-92
Desert Strikers	87-97
The Bulldogs	86-98
Fox Hound	72-112
NSync Fireballs	68-116
Spawn	43-141
High Game Scratch - Jason Ross, 165;	
Ashley Wakefield, 105 (Preps); Brandon	
Headington, 170; Kelli Davish, 157	
(Juniors); Allen Ekstrom, 153 (Majors)	
High Series Scratch - Tyler Johnson, 472; Sasha Willis, 329 (Preps); Kevin	
Ekstrom, 477; Ebony Wayman, 412	
(Juniors); Mike Cuvillo, 528 (Majors)	

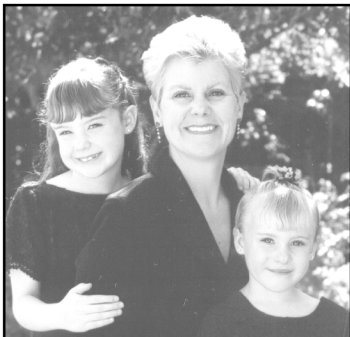
## Baseball

### Little League

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Team	W-L
Cubs	2-2
Diamondbacks	2-3
Braves	0-4

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### Fitness Expo today

Don't miss today's Fitness Expo, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the fitness center. A full day of activities is planned, including health, wellness and fitness-related booths, displays and demonstrations from on-base and off-base organizations. Dozens of local businesses and non-profit organizations will also be on hand with samples, giveaways and valuable information.

They include TMC HealthCare, Carondelet Health Network, Red Cross, Competitive Elements, Nova Home Loans, Logan's Day Spa, GEHA, Bruegger's Bagels, Nikken and Gateway Ice Center. Other Fitness Expo sponsors are Wellness Council of Tucson, PacificCare, Imagine Wellness, Jane Jung (feng shui), Arizona Health, Arbonne International, AAFES, American Cancer Society, Heart Association and Lung Association, University of Phoenix and Synergy Chiropractic. Also included are USPA/IRA, FitCenter, Matters of Choice, MCI WorldCom, New Vision Chiropractic, Desert Institute of Healing Arts, Melaleuca's environmentally safe products, St. Joseph's Women's Health Unit, Family Health & Wellness Chiropractic, El Dorado Generations, Johnny Gibson Gym Equipment, Strategic Wireless, Donor Network of Arizona and Day to Day Gourmet. Fitness Expo is held in conjunction with Air Force Fitness Month.

### Win free bowling

Air Combat Command's annual Bowling for Bucks promotion is in full swing. Three segments, Bowling for Bucks, Pinbusters and Bookbusters, give adults and youngsters of all ages a chance to win games, cash and prizes. Bowling for Bucks players use a 10-punch card. Completed cards are good for

two free games, monthly cash and prize drawings, and the \$500 August grand prize drawing. Pinbusters is for bowlers up to 18 years old. They get a free game each time they complete a five-punch card, and they're eligible for monthly and grand prize drawings. Get cards at the D-M Lanes. Not valid with league and special-event games. Bookbusters, for grades 1 to 12, links bowling to summer reading. Students get a free game by reading five books from the base library. They're also eligible for monthly and grand prize drawings. Cards are issued and validated at the library. ACC's sponsor is MilitaryMoves.com. Call the D-M Lanes, 8-3461, or the library, 8-4381.

### Trail ride

An outdoor recreation center sunset trail ride is May 19. Riders will saddle up at the Fort Huachuca stables for the two-hour mountain ride. Afterwards, there's an outdoor BBQ cookout. Transportation leaves D-M at 4 p.m., and arrives back at 11 p.m. Cost for transportation, two-hour ride and BBQ is \$30 per person. Anyone younger than 18 must be with an adult. Outdoor Recreation has more information at 8-3736, or visit Building 4430.

### 8-Ball tournament

Base pool players meet every Thursday, at 6:30 p.m., at the Desert Oasis Club, for the King of the Hill 8-Ball tournament. A weekly entry fee of \$5 per-player goes into a prize fund to be paid to winners. The fund is paid out weekly on a 100-percent basis. Weekly finalists go on to the Tournament of Champions at the end of July. Get further details from Wendy Decatur at the club, 748-8666.

### Golf for less

Summer rates are in effect at the Blanchard Golf Course. Play 18 holes with a cart for \$13; guests pay \$17. Walk the course

and pay \$6; guests are \$10. Carts can be rented by advance green-fee players for only \$7, and unlimited golf with cart costs just \$10, any day after 4 p.m. Seasonal discount prices are valid, 9 a.m. to sunset, seven days a week, through Sept. 30. Find out more at the pro shop, 8-3734.

### Soccer tryouts

Tryouts for the base soccer team are at 5 p.m. every Tuesday and Thursday at the field behind the auto hobby shop. Call Jason Bowersock at 8-5257 for more information.

### Golf tournament

The National Defense Transportation Association is holding its 6th annual golf tournament May 19 at the Santa Rita Golf Club. Sign in begins at 5:45 a.m., with a 7:30 a.m. tee off. The format is a four-person scramble and the entry fee is \$50 per person (for civilians and E-6 and above); \$40 per person (for E-5 and below). The sign up deadline is May 11. Sign up sheets are available in the traffic management office in Building 2300. Call Ken Welch or Jeff Daniel at 8-4339 for more information or to sign up.

### Intramural coaches, umpires clinic

There's an intramural coaches and umpires softball clinic June 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Community Center. Anyone interested in being a coach or umpire is invited to attend. Call the Fitness Center at 8-3714 for more information.

### Softball tournament

The 13th annual "Contracting Weekend Bash" softball tournament is scheduled for June 23 and 24 at the Golf Links/Craycroft Park. Prizes will be awarded for first through third places. Cost is \$160 per team. Call Greg Manning at ext. 8-5478, or Archie Perry at ext. 8-2113 for more information.

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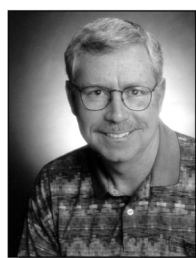


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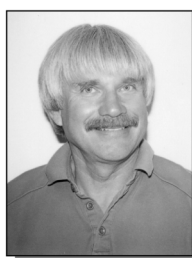
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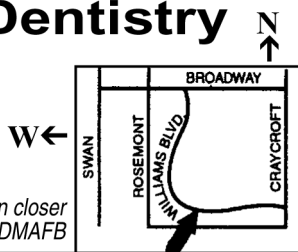
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## Chapel events

### Desert Dove Chapel Schedule

**Saturday:** Catholic Mass is at 5:30 p.m.

**Sunday:** Catholic Mass is at 7:30 and 10 a.m.

**Sunday:** Protestant Traditional 11:15 a.m.

### Hope Chapel

**Sunday:** Protestant Contemp. Service 8:30 a.m.

**Sunday:** Protestant Gospel 11:15 a.m.

**Daily:** Mass/Communion Service is at 11:30 a.m.

### Protestant schedule

**Today:** Aim High Bible study is at 7 p.m. at Desert Dove Chapel annex. Call 889-1715 f.

**Saturday:** Couples' Bible Study is at 7 p.m. Call 749-5550.

**Sunday:** Contemporary Worship Service is at 8:30 a.m. at Hope Chapel. Sunday school is at 10 a.m. at Desert Dove and Hope Chapels. Traditional Worship Service is at 11:15 a.m. at Desert Dove Chapel annex. Inspirational Gospel Worship Service is at 11:15 a.m. at Hope Chapel.

**Tuesday:** Ladies Bible studies is from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., and 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Desert Dove Chapel. Singles Bible study is at 7:30 p.m. in Building 3220. Bible Study for moms is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Desert Dove Chapel.

**Wednesday:** Mid-week Bible study is at noon at Desert Dove Chapel. Promise Keepers Bible study is at 11:30 a.m. at the 355th Equipment Maintenance Squadron conference room in Building 4810. Prayer and Teaching Time is at 7 p.m. at Desert Dove Chapel. Youth Night, for middle and high school groups, is at 7 p.m. at Desert Dove Chapel. Angel Bible study and choir for elementary groups is at 7 p.m. in the Desert Dove Chapel classrooms.

### Inspirational Gospel service

The Inspirational Gospel service of the Protestant Chapel community celebrates its 28th anniversary Sunday at 3 p.m. at the Desert Dove

Chapel. The Luke AFB Gospel choir performs with the D-M angel, youth and adult choirs.

### Catholic schedule

**Saturday:** Mass is 5 p.m. at Desert Dove Chapel. Sacrament of Reconciliation is at 4 to 5 p.m. at St. Joseph's Church. Baptisms are the first Saturday of each month at 4 p.m. in Desert Dove Chapel.

**Sunday:** Mass is at 7:30 and 10 a.m. at Desert Dove Chapel. Sacrament of Reconciliation is 9:15-9:45 a.m. at Desert Dove Chapel.

**Monday through Friday:** Rosary is at 11:10 a.m. at Hope Chapel. Mass or communion service is at 11:30 a.m. at Hope Chapel.

**Baptism:** Baptism classes are the Tuesday before the first Sunday of each month are at the Hope Chapel at 6 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Rite for Christian Initiation is from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Desert Dove Chapel.

### Islamic schedule

Today: Prayer service is from noon to 2 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. in Building 3220, third floor.

## Wheel of Fortune

*Second Lt. Michael Conte, a navigator on the EC-130E, from 42nd ACCS, will have his half-hour in the spotlight as he appears as a game show contestant on Wheel of Fortune, May 22 at 6:30 p.m. on KGUN 9. Conte and his wife, Mary Ann, registered to be on the game show while he was attending navigation training in San Antonio. After two weeks, he got a call to try out. He then went on to film the show at Culver City, Calif. (Sony Studios). He said that it was a lot of fun and you had to think on your toes. He also said that the wheel is smaller than it looks and heavier.*



Angie Erickson

## On-base clubs

### Officers' Club

**Today:** Patio Steak Night, 5:30-8 p.m. \$50 Club Cash Coupon drawing

**Saturday:** No evening dining

**Sunday:** Mother's Day buffet

**Monday:** Club closes at 2 p.m. Barber open, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

**Tuesday:** Dinner-theater tonight; call for RSVP. Dining room closed tonight

**Wednesday:** Chicken or fish dinner for two, \$18.95.

**Thursday:** Lunch is Mon-Fri, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

### Desert Oasis Club

**Today:** Two Surf & Turf or prime rib dinners are \$18.95. \$50 Club Cash Coupon drawing, 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday:** Sports bar opens at 5 p.m.

**Sunday:** Club closed; Cabana open at 1 p.m.

**Monday:** Club closed Mondays. Family Night at Cabana, 4-8 p.m.

**Tuesday:** Bingo is at 6 p.m.; win up to \$25,000.

**Wednesday:** Lunch Tues-Fri, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Thursday:** BBQ buffet 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Dining room closed tonight. Eight-ball meet, 6:30 p.m.; \$5 entry fee.

### Fitness Expo

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Dozens of local businesses and non-profit organizations will also be on hand with samples, giveaways and valuable information.

## Family support

**Saturday:** Give Parents A Break, 2 to 6 p.m., child development and youth center.

Hearts Apart Day at the Zoo, 9:45 a.m. to TBD at Reid Park.

**Monday:** Resume Workshop, 8 to 10 a.m., build-

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**Tuesday:** Right Start, 8 to noon, Building 3200, Room 266/267, Time for Tots, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Chapel 1 (Desert Dove Chapel).

**Wednesday:** Transition Assistance Seminar, May Wednesday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Building 3200, Room 266/267.

**Thursday:** Fun Time, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Chapel 1 (Desert Dove Chapel).

## Community events

**Today:** 5K Run/Walk, 7 a.m., at Yuma Road Fitness Expo at the gym, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cosmic Bowl at the D-M Lanes, 7 to 11 p.m.

**Saturday:** Outdoor rec trip to Peppersauce Cave; call 8-3736

**Monday:** Racquetball tourney starts; phone 8-3714

**Tuesday:** Summer bowling leagues begin May 21; call 8-3461

**Wednesday:** Intramural golf starts; contact 8-3734

**Thursday:** Children's Story Hour at the library, 11 a.m.

## Youth programs

**Today:** Teen basketball, burger burn at youth center; call 8-8844

**Saturday:** Trail team building at youth center, 10 a.m.

**Monday:** Kids health fair is Saturday at youth center

**Tuesday:** Smart Girls meet, 6 to 8 p.m.; call 8-8844

**Wednesday:** Primaries run obstacle course, 5:30 to 7 p.m.

**Thursday:** Preteen/teen kickball olympics Preteen/teen 3-on-3 basketball, 6 to 7 p.m.

### Cabana Family Night

Eat pizza Monday 4-8 p.m. on the patio with the family. Three two-topping medium pizzas, breadsticks and soda costs just \$21.95.

## Graduation

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University will be holding its graduation May 18 at the Enlisted Club at 6 p.m. The following are the 2001 graduates:

### Undergraduate

Rene Bello  
Brian Comisso  
Howard Cyrus  
Robert Davis  
Dana Lehman  
William Mercer  
Monte Schoffstall  
Jack Sutherland  
James Roberts  
Dennis Palmer  
Timothy Johnson  
James Jobes

George Logan  
Wesam Daker  
Todd Hardy

### Graduate

Phillip Barks  
Paul Brown  
John Fiske  
Richard Hubbard  
John Russell  
John Sheehan  
Rodney Taylor  
Gregg Tolmoff

Park University will hold their graduation ceremony May 24 at 6 p.m. at the Base Theater, reception to follow at the Officers Club. For more information, please call 748-8266.

## Other agencies

### Enlisted Spouses Association

The next meeting will be held Tuesday at the Desert Oasis Enlisted Club in Monte's Room at 6:15 p.m. with a social to follow. Theme for meeting is "Installation of Officers." For information, contact Dena Wakefield at 747-3161.

### Fees in Turkey

The Turkish government requires transit personnel who do not have "Turkey" listed on their orders purchase a Turkish visa for \$45 (U.S. dollars). Personnel may claim it on their travel vouchers for reimbursement.

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The 354th Fighter Squadron change of command is May 18 at 9 a.m. in Building 4809 (354th FS Hangar). Lt. Col. Timothy Saffold will assume command from Lt. Col. John Carter.

## Movie theater

**Today:** Just visiting, (PG-13), 7 p.m.

**Saturday:** Chocolat, (PG-13), 7 p.m.

**Sunday:** Exit Wounds, (R), 7 p.m.

**May 18:** The Brothers, (R), 7 p.m.

**May 19:** Heartbreakers, (PG-13), 7 p.m.

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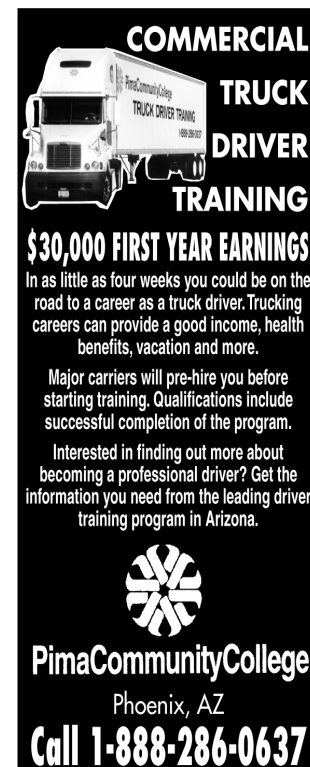


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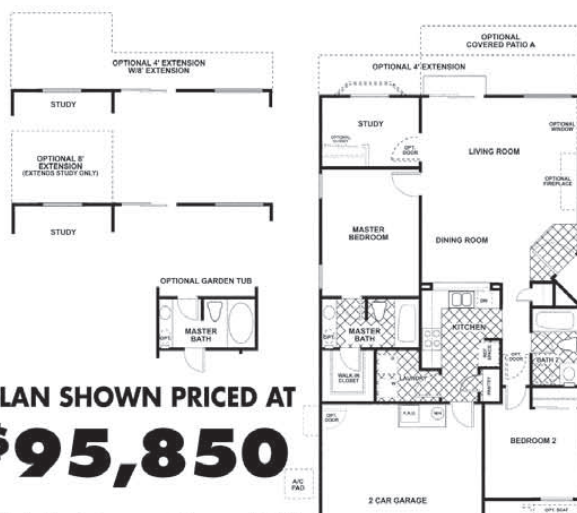


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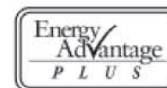


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